

Citrus College Reopening Plan: An Incremental Approach

As of March 2021

The following provides a general framework to assist in the discussion of when certain instructional programs (classes) may return to campus. For each addition of faculty, staff and students, there will be a standard safety protocol that will incorporate all of the guidelines from the state of California and Los Angeles County in place at that time.

This framework follows the restrictions imposed by the state at specific tier levels based on community spread of the virus. This tier system is divided into four levels:

WIDESPREAD (Purple)

Adjusted cases per 100,000 people must be fewer than 7, and the positivity rate must not exceed 8% over a seven-day average.

SUBSTANTIAL (Red)

Adjusted cases per 100,000 people must be between 4 and 7, and the positivity rate must be between 5% and 8% over a seven-day average.

MODERATE (Orange)

Adjusted cases per 100,000 people must be between 1 and 3.9, and the positivity rate must be between 2% and 4.9% over a seven-day average.

MINIMAL (Yellow)

Adjusted cases per 100,000 people must be less than 1, and the positivity rate must be less than 2% over a seven-day average.

Return of instruction linked to tier system

The following is based on guidelines developed by the state as set forth in its COVID-19 Industry Guidance: Institutions of Higher Education, and it is consistent with guidance from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health for the return of instructional programs to campus. Please note that the current tier system and the plan below does not address students returning to campus to engage in student services activities, such as counseling, admissions, financial aid, etc. Student services programs will be permitted to return based on any future established state and county protocols:

TIER 1 (Purple)

In-person instruction prohibited, except for student instruction linked to the training of students for employment in positions deemed to be essential (e.g., health services and automotive). Per county protocols issued on Feb. 22, 2021, institutes of higher education at the purple level may return a limited number of students for in-person instruction related to art, design and theater art studios, and music practice. In addition, the library may open to 25% capacity and certain athletic practices and conditioning may be held on campus.

Spring 2021: Health sciences and automotive labs will be scheduled on campus. Add a limited number of students on campus to attend instruction in art, design and theater art studios, and music practice, and return a limited number of athletic programs for on-campus practice and conditioning. Continue with temporary and ongoing essential employee protocols.

Summer 2021: Continue with on-campus classes as set forth under spring 2021 and look to expand the number of students as appropriate. Limited reopening of the library (maximum capacity of 25%).

Fall 2021: Continue with on-campus classes as set forth under spring 2021 and look to expand the number of students as appropriate.

WIDESPREAD

TIER 2 (Red)

On-campus lectures are permitted, but must be limited to 25% capacity of a classroom or facility (maximum of 100 people). Must comply with safety compliance issues (e.g., masks, distancing and cleaning).

Spring 2021: Under Tier 1.

Summer 2021: Permit instruction on campus limited to no more than 25% capacity of a classroom or facility (maximum of 100 people) and return classified staff as needed to support instructional programs. Note: classified staff would return as ongoing essential employees consistent with a revised memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the California School Employees Association (CSEA).

The following additional programs may be reintroduced to campus:

- Cosmetology labs
- Esthetician labs
- Emerging theater technologies
- Recording arts
- Dance
- Music commercial
- Athletic practicing and conditioning

Fall 2021: Permit instruction on campus limited to no more than 25% capacity of a classroom/ facility (maximum of 100 people) and return classified staff as needed to support instructional programs. Note: classified staff would return as ongoing essential employees consistent with a revised MoU with the CSEA.

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- Athletic practicing and conditioning

SUBSTANTIAL

TIER 3 (Orange)

On-campus lectures are permitted, but must be limited to 50% capacity of a classroom or facility (maximum of 200 people). Must comply with safety compliance issues (e.g., masks, distancing and cleaning).

Spring 2021: Under Tier 1

Summer 2021: Permit instruction on campus limited to no more than 50% capacity of a classroom or facility (maximum of 200 people) and return classified staff as needed to support instructional programs. Note: classified staff would return as ongoing essential employees consistent with a revised MoU with the CSEA.

The following additional programs may be reintroduced to campus:

- Music
- Theater
- Photography
- Ceramics
- Kinesiology (academic classes)

Fall 2021: Permit instruction on campus limited to no more than 50% capacity of a classroom or facility (maximum of 200 people) and return classified staff as needed to support instructional programs. Note: classified staff would return as ongoing essential employees consistent with a revised MoU with the CSEA.

Instructional programs on campus to remain as introduced during the summer 2021 session with a possible increase in the number of students.

MODERATE

TIER 4 (Yellow)

On-campus lectures are permitted, but must be limited to 50% capacity of classroom or facility. Must comply with safety compliance issues (e.g., masks, distancing and cleaning).

Spring 2021: Under Tier 1.

Summer 2021: Limited return of classes based on Tier 3 levels.

Fall 2021: Permit instruction on campus based on no more than 50% capacity limitation and return classified staff as needed to support instructional programs. Note: classified staff would return as ongoing essential employees consistent with a revised MoU with the CSEA.

The following additional programs may be reintroduced to campus:

- Science labs
- Limited number of lecture classes

MINIMAL

For each tier level and return of students to campus, a detailed safety plan will be developed consistent with established district procedures and with all state and county protocols.